

Magnuson Park Wetland, Habitat and Athletic Field Development Project PROJECT ADVISORY TEAM MEETING

Tuesday, June 21, 2005 Meeting Summary

Meeting Attendance: A = Absent P = Present

	PAT Members:			
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P	Jon Jainga, Project Manager Guest Present:	Seattle Parks and Rec.	Phone: 206-684-7054	jon.jainga@seattle.gov
	Gail Chiarello	Bonnie Miller	<u> </u>	I
	Robin Sizemotle Kimberly Baker, Seattle	Diane Kincaid Arts and Cultural	Affairs	

Agenda Item Summary:

1. Introduction: Meeting Ground Rules, Mission and Role of the PAT.

PM, Jon Jainga, Welcomed the PAT members to the meeting.

2. Community comments: (2 minutes/person):

Kimberly Baker, Seattle Arts and Cultural Affairs: Would like to invite a member of the PAT to participate in the Artist Selection for Magnuson Park. Lynn Ferguson volunteered to participate in the artist selection. Gail Chiarello: Editor for the Hawthorn Committee Council would like to see a copy of the budget for the Wetland, Habitat and Athletic Field Development project.

Bonnie Miller: two things, (1) Commissary Demolition tell us what is going on, would like to see more signage and information boards and (2) is money for the Wetlands being used for the Demolition? Staff response, wetland dollars are not being used for the demolition.

Robin Sizemotle: Magnuson Park neighbor – here to listen at the meeting.

Diane Kincaid: (1) heard a rumor about RV Hook-up at Magnuson Park? (2) Budget – why is half of the Demolition budget coming out of the Wetland budget. (3) Trail – should propose a loop trail around Magnuson Park that links the water front, Kite Hill and the Burke Gilman Trail. This trail could be used to relieve pressure from Green Lake. Guy responded, there will be a loop trail but it is not part of the habitat development.

3. Discussion of role and responsibility of PAT – PAT recommendations to Jon, Jon to Ken Bounds, Ken Bounds to Mayor/Council

Question by Matt Mega - How do generally "no Show" members fit in? If we vote on recommendations can "no show" or infrequent members show up and vote. Is there an attendance criteria?

Question by Warren Perkins on Minutes Approval Process – Recommend that minutes be sent to PAT members only in Draft form and after changes, if any, are made and approval and sending of minutes on to Director, City Council Members, etc.

Minutes of May meeting approved with revisions.

Tom Kelly stated that the design and installation of non-native vegetation before and during the phase I sports meadow construction was a failure of the PAT process. Using non-native plants there disregarded public input, the PAT, ideas favored in the park's wetland forum, and concepts favored by the park's own vegetation management plan. He is not suggesting revising the sports meadow vegetation at this point, but is hoping that in the future the PAT process will work better and that the Park Department will become more responsive.

4. Phase 1- Sports Meadow Construction Update:

PM, Jon Jainga described the Sports Meadow Construction update, project slow going due to the recent wet weather. Contractor is currently working on drainage and irrigation installation.

PAT members had the following questions; (1) heard a rumor that there is a drainage pipe that go directly into Lake Washington? (2) Is the project on budget? (3) Where is the field drainage going? Response to rumor; (1) The drainage to Lake Washington will be as it is now through the (same) existing drainage system. (2) Project is on budget at this time. (3) Same as number (1).

5. Wetland Delineation Update:

Dyanne Sheldon, Sheldon and Associates, met with both the DOE and Army Corps of Engineers, during a site visit. They gave thumbs –up! To the proposed wetland delineation plan that Sheldon and Associates have been working on. Dyanne explained she had a conversation the Army Corp of Engineers regarding the Citizen Complaint, filed by the Friends of Magnuson Park. She also met with both agencies regarding the complaint, they collected information from the field, and they also encouraged public participation during the planning stages and invite groups during the delineation process. During the walk on the haul road, they notice many tadpoles in the Frog Pond. Dyanne reminded Parks Staff to do the remediation at the end of construction and would glad to add her assistants. Dyanne presented the wetland delineation map. The City will submit the permit regarding the wetland filling and grading. Only the City will be able to appeal the 401 permit from the Corps, since the permit is between the Corps and the City. No impact assessment has yet been made of potential wetland filling. The mitigation report will be coming as part of the Joint Aquatics Resource Permit Application (JARPA) process.

PAT members had the following questions; (1) Will you provide a copy of the wetland map? (2) What kind of fill material is going to be used? (3) Is their going to be a watering plan for the Phase 1a plants? Dyanne replied that her firm is currently working on the Monitoring Plan for Phase 1a Plant Material.

6. Future Meeting Topics:

- Project Budget
- Site Design

Next Meeting scheduled for July 19, 2005

• Continuation with the Phase 2 Site Design - The Berger partnership

Additional Information is Available:

- http://www.seattle.gov/parks/proparks/projects/spmpFields.htm
- http://www.seattle.gov/parks/proparks/projects/SPMPWetlands.htm
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